

CIVIC PARTICIPATION OVERHEAD

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- Signing a petition
- Writing letters to elected representatives about issues of concern
- Volunteering to help, or by contributing money to a political party or candidate
- Running for office
- Reporting crimes
- Obeying laws
- Talking about issues in the community, state, or country
- Helping the community or nation in an emergency
- Paying taxes
- Serving in the military
- Serving on a jury
- Doing volunteer work in the community
- Keeping the environment clean
- Wearing a political button or putting a sticker on your car
- Joining a citizen's group to work on a problem

CIVIC PARTICIPATION ACTIVITY SHEET

Directions: Below are some ways in which citizens can participate in their government. Think carefully about each one. Then decide if it is Very Important, Important, or Not Very Important. Place an “X” in the appropriate space for each item.

How to Participate	Very Important	Important	Not Very Important
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